Claims

- [c1] 1. An illumination structure of a dial plate comprising: a dial plate having inner figures arranged near a hole, and outer figures arranged at a distant part from the hole, said hole into which a pointer shaft is inserted; a light source arranged at a back side of the dial plate below a pointer base, and supplying light simultaneously to a back surface of the dial plate and the pointer base; a cylinder formed around the pointer shaft, and having an inner cavity having substantially the same diameter as said hole; and a shade projecting from an outer wall of the cylinder for preventing the inner figures from being illuminated by the direct light emitted from the light source.
- [c2] 2. The illumination structure as claimed in claim 1, wherein said shade has a plate-like shape extending laterally from the outer wall of the cylinder.
- [c3] 3. The illumination structure as claimed in claim 1, wherein said shade has a plate-like shape extending laterally from the outer wall of the cylinder, and being bent downward at the extreme end thereof.

- [c4] 4. The illumination structure as claimed in claim 1, wherein said shade has a plate-like shape projecting laterally from an outer wall of a inverted semicircular cone, said cone extending from the outer wall of the cylinder at a truncated tip thereof.
- [c5] 5. The illumination structure as claimed in claim 1, wherein said shade has a dome-like shape extending from the outer wall of the cylinder.